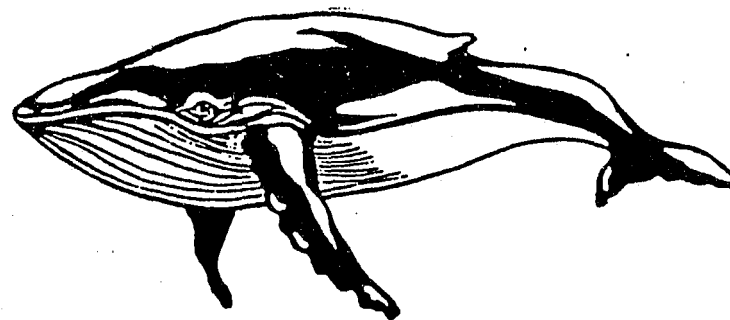


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Students propose to run UAJ bookstore

By Lynne Webster
Whalesong Staff Reporter

University administrators will soon make a decision regarding the operation of the UAJ bookstore in an attempt to further reduce university expenditures. In a recent bid opening, the only offer to run the deficit-laden bookstore was submitted by students at UAJ.

The proposal has been endorsed by various administrative personnel, including a number of faculty members at the School of Business and Public Administration.

The concept of the proposal is based on a co-operative education program which would be administered by the School of Business. Through direct participation in the operation of the bookstore, students could earn credit hours towards a business degree in marketing, accounting, inventory, computer programming and/or management techniques.

The proposed co-operative education program would serve to stimulate professional interests, allow students to gain recognition for scholastic attainment, and promote positive student involvement in university operations, according to the bid proposal.

The proposal indicates that students could attain an estimated 50 percent profit increase over previous management's figures, largely by decreasing labor costs and curtailing traveling expenses. Through co-operative student participation and faculty supervision, the students said in a recent interview that they are confident that their proposal will be sound and beneficial to all students and faculty.

The proposal indicates that 50 percent of the profits will go to UAJ to cover costs incurred in purchasing, accounting, and physical facilities. The remaining 50 percent will go to the USUJ account. These profits will be earmarked for student educational needs.

Dr. Espiridion Borrego, acting dean of the School of Business and Public Administration, fully supports the concept of the co-operative educa-



Bookstore Committee meets: From left, Tina Pasteris, Melissa Petree, Mike Smith, and Joe Parnell meet to draft out bid submission for operation of UAJ bookstore.

tion proposal. He said this would be a "marvelous opportunity" for students enrolled in the School of Business to acquire work experience related to academic curriculum.

"I personally support active student involvement in university issues. We are here for the students; it is

their university. I congratulate them for their interest," said Borrego.

Vigorous student and faculty support is essential if the proposed co-operative educational program is to be established at UAJ, said Melissa Pietre, a representative of the USUJ special bookstore committee.

Budget cuts slice deep

By Lynne Webster
Whalesong Staff Reporter

Nine positions -- mainly administrators -- will no longer exist at UAJ in 15 months.

Cuts include UAJ's two assistant vice chancellor positions which will be eliminated at the end of June, according to Michael Mulnix, assistant to the chancellor.

Mulnix declined to comment on exactly why the positions have been eliminated; however, several sources have said the cuts are a direct result of recent budget cuts due to falling oil

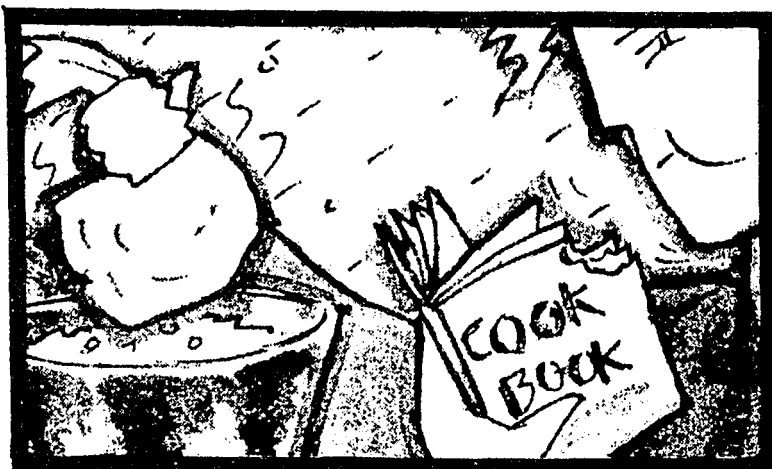
prices.

Other positions to be eliminated include: the director of affirmative action-employee relations, director of university relations, assistant to the director of business services, career counselor, bookstore manager, ski coach, and director of planning/grants.

According to Mulnix, UAJ will help employees facing job loss to find employment within the university system, if at all possible.

Salaries and benefits for the posts eliminated total about \$350,000, said Mulnix.

Worldwire



By RON REED

You Are What You Eat

Which is worse for your teeth: (a) soda crackers; (b) raisins; (c) granola bars; or (d) chocolate? If you answered "chocolate," you're obviously a victim of New Age propaganda, at least according to purportedly objective studies carried out by the allegedly disinterested scientists at leading chocolate manufacturer Hershey Foods Corporation.

The study was carried out on rats rather than teenagers, but nevertheless was apparently conclusive enough to cause a company vice-president to enthusiastically endorse "milk chocolate between meals." And as an appetizer, perhaps a butterscotch sundae; gotta watch my weight, you know.

Meanwhile, American Health magazine points out in its Dec. 1984 issue that excessive jogging causes iron deficiency, and that too much Vitamin C may lead to kidney stones. What about good old-fashioned vegetables, then? Well, you might at least want to beware of the fresh-looking ones--in restaurants, hospitals, airlines and the like, at any rate. Wilted vegetables are apparently okay.

It seems that many of the above institutions commonly dip their veggies in sulphites, toxic chemicals which can trigger wheezing, shortness of breath, hives and even loss of consciousness (giving new meaning to the word "vegetate"), and have led to at least one death. Sulphites, you see, enable these vegetables--as well as fruits and meats--to remain "fresh-looking" for hours at room temperature. And the FDA, in keeping with the Reaganite philosophy of "caveat emptor," doesn't require labeling of sulphite-treated foods.

So what are we supposed to eat until SoyLent Green is perfected? Try grain wastes and pseudo-plastic. The grain waste project is being carried out by Larry Rogers of Salinas, Ca., in conjunction with SRI Inc., of Menlo Park. Rogers has already developed a method of turning wheat stalks and rice hulls into a pourable "wood" that can form perfect forty-foot beams, be

cut and stained, and is stronger than the real thing. By varying the formula a bit, the wheat can be made highly impact-resistant, forming a lightweight armor.

The pseudo-plastic, a tasteless and odorless carbohydrate called pullulan, is being used by the Japanese (who developed it) to make pouches for cooking food in and edible books; food engineers are working on combining it with wheat flour and starch to form a low-calorie nutrient. One Big Mac, hold the container. And don't spill any catsup on my armor.

[Sources: EastWest Journal, Feb. 1985; Utne Reader, Feb./March 1985; Dollars and Sense, March 1985.]

Ashes to Ashes, and Cosmic Dust

A number of medieval theologians believed Heaven was literally located overhead, and Hell beneath the earth. If you find this belief comforting, inasmuch as it gives a solid sense of place to scriptural virtues, perhaps you'd rather your mortal vessel spend eternity with the saints than with the sinners.

If so, look no further. Thanks to the entrepreneurial spin-offs from the Space Shuttle, you now have the opportunity to place your erstwhile earthly remains physically within the confines of Heaven. A consortium of engineers and undertakers has arranged to rocket your ashes--in a "tiny gold-colored capsule" [perhaps made of bullet-proof wheat stalks]--into orbit around Earth, beginning in 1987. According to a Reuters dispatch quoted in the San Francisco Chronicle, the capsule's orbit is designed to last 63 million years. No information is given as to the nature of legal remedies available to your remote descendants in the event the orbit decays after only, say, 20 million years or so, or should the capsule crash into a satellite, be gobbled by a floating alien, or succumb to other hazards of its geography. In the meantime, the scheme could at least relieve our overcrowded cemeteries--at least for those with the \$3,900 the consortium is asking for its "burial" service.

[Source of information: The Progressive, April 1985.]

Conspicuous Consumption, Yuppie Style . . .

1: "Too rushed to decide what style you'd like to become accustomed to? Not to worry. An architectural firm in Fort Lauderdale is now marketing 17-room houses complete with a ready-made lifestyle. Besides the usual eight

baths and two-story living room, for a mere \$5 million you get a game room, exercise room, and a media room equipped with three wall-sized screens.

"But wait--there's more! The deal includes a fully stocked wine cellar, leather-bound classics on the book shelves, and color-coordinated soap and toilet tissue. The newer models contain a computer system to 'dim the lights at cocktail time, heat the pool for a midnight dip, and set the jacuzzi in motion.' Sounds far fetched? Already 1,000 have been sold."--Dollars and Sense, April 1985.

2: "For no apparent reason, a promising date turns sour. Or a business associate becomes cold and distant. Can anyone explain the baffling twists of human behavior? Now you can--using your computer and Mind Prober™, a powerful new analytical tool designed by the psychologists at Human Edge Software.

"First, Mind Prober asks your impressions of a person in 66 categories. You don't have to know them well; an hour's acquaintance is enough. The Mind Prober sifts your responses through a massive data base of psychological traits and patterns. Translating your jumble of impressions into a detailed analysis of what makes that person tick. [sic]

"With uncanny perception, Mind Prober shows you how they will act in relationships (you know before you get involved), how they cope with stress, how they feel about work and sex, and what personal interests get them excited. In just 10 minutes, you're armed with vital insights to enhance your relationships in business, with friends and family. Comes with a detailed 148-page manual on observing and understanding others. Requires disk drive and 64K memory (printer optional)."--The Sharper Image Catalog, April 1985.

...and the Old-Fashioned Way

3: "When Eleanor Ritchey, an oil-company heiress, died in 1968, she left all her money (\$4.3 million) to 150 homeless dogs she'd adopted over the years. The dogs lived in style on a 180-acre ranch in Deerfield Beach, Florida. If Professor Scott Nearing, formerly of the University of Pennsylvania, was right in his calculation that it takes the labor of 15,000 workers to produce one millionaire, then 64,500 workers lost the 'surplus value' they had produced to support the dogs."--Industrial Worker, March 1985.

Urinating in the Wind

The demise of full-service gas stations as the oil giants consolidate their control over distributorships has resulted in a serious shortage of roadside restrooms, according to Don Skill-

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ing, president of the Service Station Dealers of America. Recently Skilling parked by a "superpumper" station and counted twelve customers--sex unreported--going behind the station to relieve themselves.

Of course, one can't expect a struggling corporation like Exxon or Mobil to dip into its meager revenues just to altruistically offer its customers a place to pee. On the other hand, the British New Scientist reports that in the Midlands area of the U.K., fermented urine--laboratory-created, to be sure--is to be used in a pilot program next winter to de-ice roads. The only problem (aside from the obvious p.r. needs) is that this laboratory specimen is projected to cost ten times as much as rock salt.

Hence it would appear that a ready-made market exists for a product that is presently being dumped free on the ground a mere ocean away--and smelling up service stations, to boot.

The next move is clearly up to the industry. Perhaps a trans-Atlantic pipeline could be constructed--called TAPPS to distinguish it from the oil pipeline system.

On the other hand, there's a lot of ice on the roads in Alaska.

[Sources: Dollars and Sense, March 1985; Science for the People, March/April 1985.]

Letting Them Know We Care

Shortly before its demise in 1974, Paul Krassner's irreverent journal of "freethought criticism and satire," The Realist, published what it called "A Sneak Preview of Richard Nixon's Memoirs." In it, Nixon is quoted as saying, "Only in America does there exist the freedom to reveal how insidious we have been--and then carry on with an even more determined spirit."

Perhaps in keeping with that dictum, last year the Reagan administration revised the Commodity Control List to specifically include, for the first time, "specially designed implements of torture." [#5999B, issued June 15, 1984]

The Commerce Department, which publishes the list, chose to add the torture instruments under its "human rights controls program." After all, we wouldn't want those human rights to get out of control. To quote the director of the White House Office of Science and Technology, most journalists, who seem "to be drawn from a relatively narrow fringe element on the far left of our society,...[favor] an ideal world where, for example, foreign policy is dominated by human rights."

Under "Reason for Control," the administration lists "Crime control (foreign policy)". [sic] (Although

Reagan's foreign policy is literally criminal, under any reasonable reading of international law, we doubt that's what was intended.) A license is not required to send torture devices to Japan, Australia, New Zealand, or members of NATO, including Turkey, considered one of the worst human rights violators in the world, with widespread torture and both judicial and extrajudicial killing of labor leaders, students, academics, lawyers and others.

The nature of the devices being exported is also not required to be declared, only its "\$ value." "That's okay, sir. Never mind how it's used or what it's being used for, skip the messy details, I'd really rather not know, I have a weak stomach. Just declare how much money you expect to make on it. Thank you. Next. --Medical equipment for Nicaragua, eh? Well, now, I'm sorry, scum, but we're going to have to detain you..."

[Sources: National Reporter, Winter 1985; The Nation, March 16, 1985; Report on Torture, 1984, Amnesty International.]

Stranger than Fiction

Rep. Mike Strang (R-CO) has single-handedly uncovered a diabolical commie plot aimed at simultaneously undermining the ski industry and preparing a sneak attack on U.S. Army troops. Seems a Yugoslav firm underbid (by a cool half-million) the locals in Aspen on a contract to make 11,600 pairs of skis for the Army. Strang told the Denver Post that the wily Yugs could theoretically build tracking devices into the skis, thus enabling the Russkis--whose widely publicized falling-out with Yugoslavia more than thirty years ago must have been a publicity stunt--to keep the troops under satellite surveillance. Gotta watch those Reds, or they'll just schuss one right by you. Fortunately, Rep. Strang is keeping them under surveillance, so we can all sleep safe and sound.

[Source of information: Not Man Apart, March/April 1985.]

Letting Them Know We Care, Part II

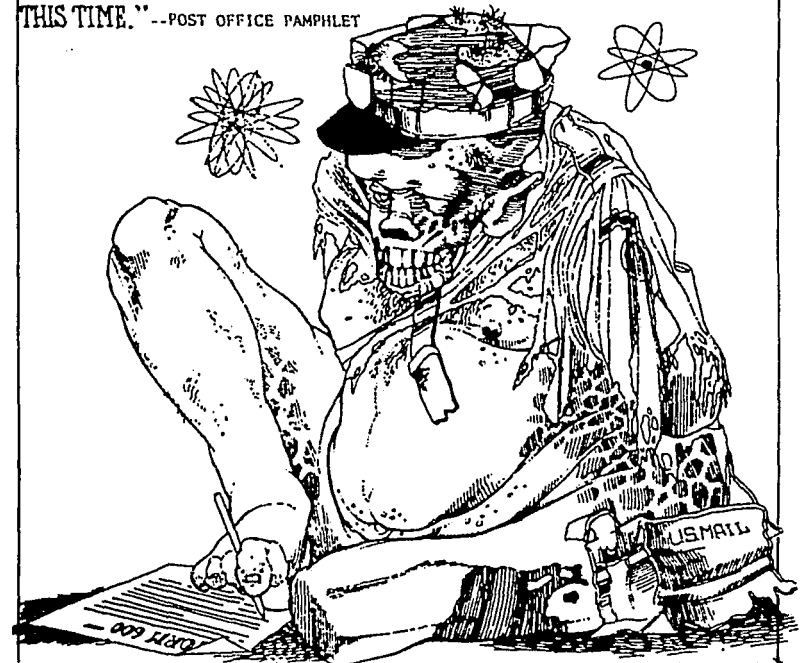
The Philippines was the site of the U.S.'s first overseas engagement, what we called a "colonialist" or "imperialist" war when other (European) powers did it. It was marked by a ten-year-long counterinsurgency campaign featuring atrocities and massacres on a systematic and unprecedented scale, if those who did the fighting are to be believed.

Part of the reason atrocities came to be accepted conduct in the campaign had to do with a deeply rooted racism toward the inhabitants. As Sen. Albert Beveridge put it, in a speech that somehow seems to consistently escape inclusion in high-school history texts,

if it is charged that "our conduct of the war has been cruel," it must be kept in mind that "we are dealing with Orientals. They mistake kindness for weakness, forbearance for fear." In short, those we kill are "Malayan children of barbarism," so we can slaughter them with impunity.

Since then, of course, we've seen the error of our ways and pursued more

"IF THERE IS AN ATOMIC ATTACK AND YOU SURVIVE, AS A POSTAL EMPLOYEE YOU ARE DIRECTED TO REPORT TO THE NEAREST POSTAL INSTALLATION FOR CIVIL DEFENSE OR POSTAL WORK. A CIVIL SERVICE FORM 600 MUST BE FILLED OUT BY YOU AT THIS TIME." --POST OFFICE PAMPHLET



enlightened policies, right? Nowadays, even if there's some de facto apartheid in force on a couple of the Pacific islands we occupy, and even if there's "constructive engagement" with South Africa, at least our legal system and government officially treats everyone equally, doesn't it? Perhaps--unless you happen to be a Negrito residing on the U.S. Naval Reservation at Subic Bay, that is. The Negritos were probably the earliest inhabitants of the Philippines, and were subsistence-oriented prior to the building of the base. On January 11, 1983, the Office of the Provost Marshal for Subic Bay issued the following circular:

TO: ALL NEGRITOS RESIDING
ON NAVAL RESERVATION

Be it known that the office of the Provost Marshal has noticed many Negritos walking, talking, and just being seen in public places and round the golf course area.

Also, let this serve as a notice that Negritos are to live in the jungle area and are not to be seen by the public walking on the roads or in the golf course area.

If voluntary action by the Negritos is not taken to hide themselves in the jungle, the OPM will be required to enforce stricter measures.

Not that we have anything against you people, y'all jes' reminds us of suhtain fo'ks back home--struttin' 'roun' lahk uppity ni--gennulmen of the cullud p'swaysion. Yew stay outasight, now, y'heah?

[Sources: Survival International News, Number 3; The Captain America Complex; Forbidden Knowledge Comix, No.2.]

Editorial

Since elections will be held soon, it's imperative that all students vote. The number of voters in recent years has been scarce, not to mention there being a scarcity of candidates as well.

The numbers reveal a lot about student apathy in past years: a mere 114 students voted in the 1983 USUAA elections, out of a student population of 1,776. In addition, only 14 students ran for the seven available positions--most of them unopposed--and 13 were write-ins.

Last year, a whopping 56 total votes were cast. Every one of the candidates ran unopposed.

With so many relevant issues facing us--such as student loan alterations and budget cuts, both of which will affect students greatly--we must give careful consideration before casting our votes this year.

Regardless of who wins, it is very exciting to have so many candidates to choose from. This interest could be a reflection of student awareness that seems to have expanded within this last school year. Each candidate has spent considerable time with his or her campaign and has tried to make contact with as many students as possible. We should applaud their efforts.

Not only is it imperative for all students to vote now because of pressing issues, but in anticipation of issues yet to come. All of the candidates who have decided to run have come forward with the desire to represent the student body; we should reciprocate by showing our support at the polls.

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Human rights

Dear Editor,

Students, ages 12-18, in Ayacucho, Peru are victims of torture, execution and "disappearance." Amnesty International reported in January that these people are often taken from their homes without being charged and are routinely held in incommunicado detention. These students held in incommunicado detention are tortured and often executed. The government in Peru has designated Ayacucho as an Emergency Zone now under military rule in order to stop the activity of the opposition group Sendero Luminoso (Shining Path). There is no evidence to indicate that many of the people who have been imprisoned and executed have been associated with the Shining Path. It appears that these human rights abuses by the government occur in order to intimidate the general public from supporting the opposition group.

Amnesty International has condemned the killing and other human rights abuses attributed to the Shining Path. Amnesty also recognizes that the Peruvian government is responsible under national and international law to prevent and to punish crimes of violence, but all such government actions must conform to international standards for the protection of fundamental human rights.

You can help in the work to end human rights abuses in Peru by joining Amnesty International's worldwide campaign. Please write a courteous letter to President Belunde,

-Expressing your concern about the increasing number of "disappearances" and extrajudicial executions in Peru

-Urging the government to adopt measures for halting these practices

-Calling for full inquiries into cases of "disappearances."

Letters may be sent to:

President Fernando Belaunde Terry
Presidente de la Republica del Peru
Palacio de Gobierno
752 Av. Canaval Moreya
Pescaderia
Lima, Peru

Salutation is Dear President Belaunde. You can increase the effect of your letter by sending a copy to:

His Excellency Luis Marchand
Ambassador of the Republic of Peru
1700 Massachusetts Avenue NW
Washington, D.C. 20036.

Letters should be sent no later than March 31, 1985.

Best,

Mary Daly

Director of Communications

Kudos to Whalesong

Dear Whalesong Editor and Staff:

Congratulations on consistently producing an attractive, interesting publication which deals with pertinent issues and provides interesting information.

Everyday a stack of publications lands on my desk. I always glance at each of them -- Whalesong. I consistently find myself taking time to read.

As one who works with publications daily, I know producing a newspaper is a difficult and often thankless job. As a reader and as one whose job it is to inform the public about the University of Alaska, I thank you for your efforts.

Sincerely,

Edee Rohde, Director
Information Services

The real Alaska?

Dear Editor,

Is this the real Alaska? The state with all of the wealth? The state with all of the high paying jobs? The state, for just being a resident you get a permanent dividend check? There must be a better alternative than to cut the budget for higher education, in a state with such an abundance of money.

At this time legislators are being asked to consider a legislative cap of \$162.5 million. This will mean a 4 percent cut to the three major campuses across Alaska. Since being a relatively new school, we must consider the possibility that UAJ will be the hardest hit by these cuts. UAJ is starting to build a firm foundation for which to operate a quality college program. Any cuts at this time will only diminish everything that we have started. The accreditation which faculty, staff, and students fought for could be jeopardized.

Education is a step into the future. Alaska, being a relatively young state and definitely looking towards the future, cannot let this opportunity go to waste. As a state, we have the opportunity to keep expanding our campuses and educating individuals that will later return something to our society. Yet, we cannot do this if we take a step backwards with budget cuts.

The state will receive far more in return from students in the future, by not cutting these needed monies. The risk of not adequately funding the Alaska university system could severely damage the state in the long run and only contribute to the "brain drain" in the northernmost state.

There is no excuse for ignorance, so let's try to avoid it.

Sincerely,
Tom Wilson

Opposition to budget cuts

Dear Editor:

The university and community colleges within the university of Alaska systems have adopted a unified position, in opposing the FY86 decrease in operating budget. This position will be passed to every representative and senator of the 14th Alaska Legislature. We urge you to read the following statement and solicit your support. This can be done by contacting your local legislator.

Thank you,
David L. Hays
Legislative Affairs Coordinator
USUAAJ

We the student members of:
Anchorage Community College
Student Assoc.
Assoc. Students of Alaska
(Representing TVCC and UAF)
Student Assoc. Univ. Alaska, Anchorage
United Students Univ. Alaska, Juneau
(Represent UAJ and Juneau-Douglas C.C.)
representing 23,958 students, do adamantly oppose the decrease in revenues for the Univ. of Alaska's FY86 operating budget. We are opposed to this decrease for the following reasons:
1. The 14th Alaska State Legislature is abandoning its' commitment to higher education for Alaskans.

A. The university has suffered the largest percentage cut to its operating budget than other state agencies whose operating budgets exceed \$100m.

B. Postsecondary education in Alaska is receiving a smaller percentage of state revenues than postsecondary education in other states. This disparity continues to grow with each passing year.

2. Operating revenues circulate 1.6 times in Alaska. A decrease in the university operating budget will have an exponential effect on the economy of public and private sectors.

3. This cut in the university operating budget will have a devastating effect on the university system, its present and future students.

A. Those faculty, students, and staff members with choices (I.E. our most capable and qualified) may leave the university system when it can no longer provide adequate support services for research, professional development and a stimulating teaching environment.

B. A decrease in funds will result in a degradation of the university's capital assets. Our already overburdened repair budget will not be sufficient to maintain existing capital structures.

C. Summer sessions may be cancelled or severely cut back.

D. Fall and spring semester classes may be cancelled. This will hamper a student's ability to complete a course of study in 4 years- a goal the university and students have worked hard to achieve. Class cancellations may cause students, particularly juniors and seniors in our local high schools to seek acceptance to schools out of state.

E. Employment contracts of university personnel severely restrict the university's ability to absorb operating cuts on short notice. The contracts require the university to give 15 months termination notice for many of its employees. Consequently, direct student services will bear the weight of this fiscal year's budget cuts.

In summation, it is more than

apparent to the university community that the legislature has placed a low priority on education. We firmly believe that the quality of education depends on the quality of an institution and its faculty. We were supportive of the University Board of Regent's Budget, but in view of statewide budget constraints are now endorsing the governor's proposed budget of \$175m. The continued availability of quality education in the state of Alaska is of utmost concern to the students of the University of Alaska. As representatives of our respective student bodies we strongly urge the Alaska Legislature to make a firm commitment to the education of its citizens through adequate funding of Alaska's education institutions.

F.Y.I.

Dear Editor,

I hope you mark your calendar with our chess tournament dates and can join us for a few enjoyable and challenging games.

Also if you want more tournaments; rated matches; team challenges; can give a chess presentation at a school; know a youth group that might be interested in chess; just want to help, give me a call.

Juneau Scholastic Chess Championship
April 13 -- Open to youth under the age of 18. Location -- Bill Ray Center, Rm.152 Registration 9:30 -- 10:00 a.m.
Format -- Five round Swiss System
Entry Fee -- \$5.00 (\$2.00 for members)
Prizes to 1st in the following age categories -- 16 -- 17 years

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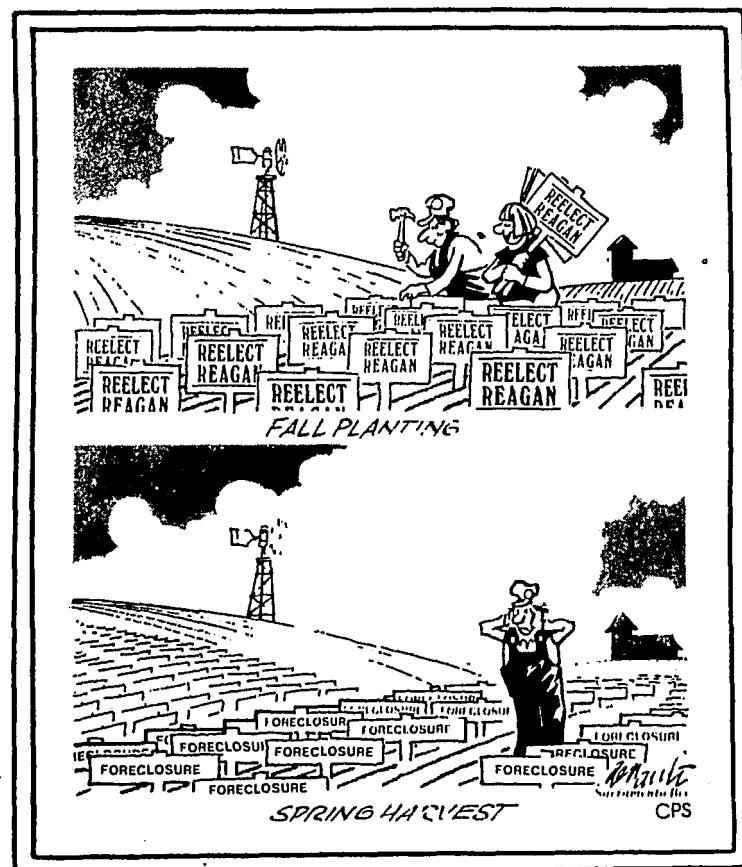
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(And 1st overall.)

Michael Sakarias



Legislative Affairs Coordinator Wanted

THE UNITED STUDENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY
OF ALASKA, JUNEAU ELECTIONS.

Offices available:
PRESIDENT

LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS COORDINATOR

ELIGIBILITY: Students currently enrolled at UAJ and available to serve one year (two semesters).

PROCEDURE: Obtain a nominating petition from Student Activities, Counseling, or Student Government, and submit accord-

ing to directions on form.

DEADLINE FOR NOMINATIONS: All nominating petitions are due by 5:00 p.m., Thursday, April 11, 1985. They are to be submitted to the Counseling Center, Student Government, or Student Activities (Can be submitted any time before deadline).

ELECTION DATES, LOCATIONS AND TIMES: Tuesday, April 16- Thursday, April 18 Auke Bay Campus, Mourant building, Anderson building, Bill Ray Center, Marine Tech Building. 12 p.m. - 8 p.m.

Bookstore, faculty award discussed by USUAJ

By JAMIE FOLEY
Whalesong Editor

At the March 22 meeting of USUAJ, a proposal for student management of the UAJ bookstore--submitted by UAJ student Melissa Peters and instructor Paul Kennedy--was given lengthy consideration. At the end of the four-hour meeting, it was decided that a committee would be formed to review the working proposal and submit a final copy to the university administration.

"The past losses of the bookstore were insignificant," said Kenney, a professor in the School of Business and Public Administration. "I think we should keep the bookstore within the system rather than putting out to a profit-making business."

Within the present working draft of the proposal, the most significant cut in anticipated losses would be to cut salary costs by 50 percent. The plan calls for a minimum amount of hired help, with the majority of services to be performed by students for

class credit.

Kennedy said he felt as if an attempt for take-over by students would be realistic. A motion to form a committee of those students particularly interested in this project was passed. The project will be researched further by these students.

Another lengthy discussion at the meeting centered around support for the teacher of the year award. In the past, students have been reluctant to support this award since they were opposed to giving money for the honor. In addition, students objected to the fact that the nominating committee did not have any students on it.

Amir Aczel, a professor of business at UAJ, also said he supports issuance of the award. Aczel said he would like to see students put their support behind the award.

"With the budget cuts, the faculty is demoralized too, and we should try to show a united front. Everyone is suffering together with the legislature trying to cut us down," Aczel said.

Azzel said that student support of the award would show a unified front in the face of budget cuts.

It was finally determined that money for the award would be waived. In addition, students voted that there should definitely be a change in who votes for the teacher to receive the award--with students having the final say. Evaluations from students could be used as an alternative to the committee, Aczel said.

A committee will be formed to consider other alternatives to this award process.

Other business on the agenda included a financial statement submitted for review by USUAJ Vice-President Paul Warnow. As of the meeting date, a balance of \$16,266.58 is now in the student government account, out-

Cole said pre-stamped post cards to be sent to local legislators would cost \$70; rubber stamps for addressing would cost \$40; and tee-shirts would

side the money being spent on the Eaglecrest party and a miscellaneous \$100 differential.

An issue was raised by a UAJ student, Dennis Harris, who said it is "curious why there is not a separate checking account for student government transactions."

Jim Dumont, advisor to USUAJ, said that all funds have to run through the university system. He went on to explain that this has always been the policy.

In addition to finance matters, Representative John Patton requested an additional \$250 from USUAJ for the Eaglecrest party. This money would be spent for purchase of food, the amount tacked on to an original amount of \$500 which USUAJ already approved to spend. This motion was passed by vote, after a friendly amendment was included in the original motion. This amendment read that any remaining food would be donated to the Glory Hole in downtown Juneau.

A proposal was submitted by Cara Peters for the council to fund \$725 for student swim tickets. This was passed by vote.

Steve Cole motioned that the student government officially convene an action committee to coordinate efforts to oppose any budget cuts to the university and to allocate \$750 to the committee so they may coordinate these efforts.

cost \$4.45 each, totaling \$445. The tee-shirts will be re-sold at a cost of \$7, the proceeds to be put in an account for future committee actions. This proposal was passed by vote.

The final matter of business on the agenda was the proposal by UAJ student Mike Smith for an amendment to the UAJ student constitution. This amendment would call for the sec./tres. position, a single job description as stands now, to be made into two separate positions. This motion was not passed.

Action committee opposes budget cuts

By: Whalesong Staff

In the midst of budget cut assaults, an action committee organized by UAJ students has been formally recognized by student government. This action committee has received money from the council to commence a post card mailout campaign, (stations to be set up at the Maurant Building and the Bill Ray Center), and to purchase tee shirts. These tee shirts will be sold at a cost of \$7 and will have a graphic of a small boy holding a bowl, with a logo which will read: "Please sirs- more school." Steve Cole, a student serving on the commit-

tee informed that this phrase is a take-off of a Charles Dicken's theme.

These efforts are an organized attempt by students to formally and informally make a stand on the proposed budget cuts, which may affect the UAJ campus greatly. The post cards will be a means for students to write to their legislators, in an attempt to let the student's voices be heard. At these post card stations, copies of the university's impact statement will be available, as well as the student government position paper.

For information in purchasing tee shirts, contact the student government office, ext. 537.

Survey, survey

The now reformatized student loan bill is on it's way to the finance committee, calling for the elimination of the forgiveness clause which would take place September 4, 1990. Another change in this bill would be an interest increase from 5 to 8 percent. Another significant change deletes reference to need, as well as reference to the rural education loan program.

We would like to take the time to conduct a survey on these changes and request those students who fill out the following questions, to drop them off at either the Bill Ray Center or outside the student government office.

Personal Data:

How many years in school have you used the student loan?

If you have used the loan please check amount: 0-5,000 ☐ 5-10,000 ☐
10,000-15,000 ☐
15,000+ ☐

1.) Do you want the interest increased?
yes ☐ no ☐ undecided ☐

2.) Would forgiveness of 50% of your loan, impact your decision to stay here?
yes ☐ no ☐ undecided ☐

3.) Was forgiveness a factor in your decision to go to school?
yes ☐ no ☐

From the data collected, we would like to present the results to the legislature in an effort to affect their decision, depending on your need. Thankyou very much for your input.

B-ball players reflect on past year's performance

By CHRIS BOWN
and TOM WILSON
Whalesong Sports Editors

(Editor's Note: The following interview was conducted by sport's reporters Chris Bown and Tom Wilson, both members of the Whales basketball team. They asked each member of the team about the season in general, and about the players' plans for the future.)

Jay Sears

Season: "We had a very good season for a first year team. Everyone played well and I feel I learned a lot."

Plans for next year: "I will go into the Army on July 31. I will study law enforcement for two years and go to a police academy in California."

Kenny Willard

Season: "The season went pretty well but I felt that the bench should have played a little more."

Plans for next year: "I plan on attending California State at Northridge."

Lance Hawkins

Season: "This year really wasn't that bad. I know we could have won a few more games. In all the team has a pretty good season and hopefully next year the school will be able to help the players out a little more. All I wanted was a pair of shoes."

Plans for next year: "I plan to leave Juneau and go to California and possibly attend San Diego State in the fall."

Peter Easaw

Season: "The season was satisfying. I expected a lot more from the season in terms of winning and from myself but I played the entire year injured. Next year will go a lot further based on this year's performance."

Plans for next year: "I will be back! At this time my plans are to return to UAJ and finish my education."

Brad Waldron

Season: "For the first season we did good but we could have done better. I think the community showed that they will support a college basketball team."

Plans for next year: "I'm going to see how the recruiting goes and how Coach Markey is trying to shape the team. If his plans don't include walk-ons or non-scholarship players, then I will probably just pursue my education."

Kelly Growden

Season: "All-in-all I thought it was a pretty good season for the team, but for me it had its up and downs."

Plans for next year: Undecided.

Jim Davenport

Season: "I liked the road trips but the schedule was demanding as far as trying to keep up with my studies. I wish that UAJ would provide some kind of student-athlete coordinator so that we could be assisted more in the classroom."

Plans for next year: "I want to go to California and lay on the beach. I want to learn to surf and chase the elusive California Blonde."

Russell Jordan

Season: "I was very dissatisfied in the support from the student body. The faculty and staff was very supportive throughout the year and I thought that was great. I feel that the animosity from the students toward the players and the program wasn't deserved. The students don't understand that most of the players had very demanding schedules. For example I had to work at Fred Meyer from Midnight to Nine in the morning five days a week to support my family. This was after practicing from nine to eleven at night and then going to classes during the day."

Plans for next year: "I will either red shirt or not play. I have to get my studies together."

Tom Wilson

Season: "I was very satisfied to be a part of a team that accomplished a lot of good things. The support we received by the community, faculty and staff at UAJ was very rewarding, although I felt that the student body could have supported us a great deal more."

Plans for next year: "My plans for next year are really up in the air at this point. Although I had a lot of fun this year, it was financially very difficult. I will have to get a good job this summer to help offset some of these problems."

"I have always played basketball with the idea that education comes first, but this has been very difficult at UAJ with the class structure and the times available to take them. This is also a great concern of mine, but hopefully something can be worked out."

John Hansen

Season: "It was a good year. I thought the support of the community was very good."

Plans for next year: "I will return to school, but sometimes I have a hard time planning that far ahead."

Jeff Miller

Unavailable for comment

Chris Bown

Season: "Obviously we won some games we should have lost and lost some that we should have won. This is the roughest year of training that I have ever gone through. I've never before practiced at 9:30 at night. I was pleased with the way the team progressed. On a personal level I felt that I played well in the latter stages of the year. I felt that the support from the student body was lacking a great deal. The faculty and staff and the community support made it all worthwhile."

Plans for next year: "I plan on taking a year or more off from school and working and maybe doing some traveling. At this point it would be too early to say if I will return to UAJ in the future."

Dean candidates here for interviews

By TOM WILSON
Whalesong Staff Reporter

Candidates for the position of dean of the School of Business and Public Administration will soon be making visits to UAJ, according to Dr. Beverly Beeton, vice chancellor for academic affairs.

The first of three candidates will be on campus to visit with faculty, staff, and students on Thursday and Friday, April 11-12, Beeton said. The second candidate will be here April 18-19, and the third April 22-23.

All students, faculty, and staff are invited to meet the candidates and submit their recommendations regarding appointment to the position. Comments should be sent to Dr. Beeton no later than May 5.

The names and exact schedule of the visits are:

1. Dr. Haluk Bekiroglu
April 11-12
BRC Room 152 Thursday
Mourant: Chancellor's
Conference Room Friday a.m.
2. Dr. Shirley Teeter
April 18-19
BRC Room 262 Thursday
Mourant: Chancellor's
Conference Room Friday a.m.
3. Dr. Charles Gross
April 22-23
BRC Room 153 Monday
Mourant: B. Beeton's office
Tuesday a.m.

Metamorphosis

The bomb never stopped going off
the scientists warned it might happen
atom after atom collapsing in chain-reaction chaos
releasing the energy of heat-death creation
as the earth turned incandescent, sporting its new crown of flame:
a butterfly with searing wings of light
soared into the sky at last, a
worthy mate to the sun

& the teeming billions of undeveloped souls
swarm from the sundering world afire,
crowding the halls of nonmaterial being, and
choking Albion with wants and desires:
caught on the plate in their last desperate
moments of consciousness: Naked

beseeking the greybeards —

ah, but no, it didn't quite happen that way
a couple of thousand were turned into vapor
there were maybe fifty times that many whose faces
melted and ran like Dali watches
and some stuck to walls in Guernica shadows
and others grew sick, their hair fell away

pustules erupting, bodies decaying like U-2-3-5
and no one would touch them for fear of contagion
and the cancer redoubled, and ate them alive:

Hibakuša:

the unfortunates roasted in Hiroshima,
ashes to ashes, and strontium dust
settles like dandruff on shoulders and sandals:
like snow on the pine boughs
a whisper of death
in cracks and in crevices,
secretly glowing
all but obscured in the glare of new sun

firestorm rages, the wind of the ages, the gales rushing in
toward the stem of the mushroom
racing to fill the implosion of space
luminous, blue, particulate frenzy & changing to fallout
as quick as a chameleon:
a rain of oblivion gracing the fields

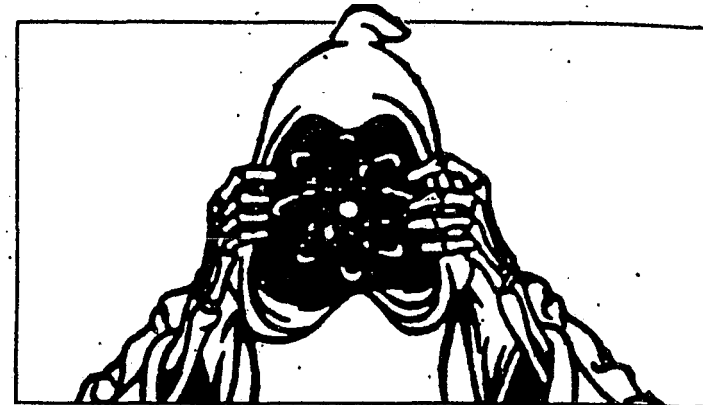
*a flickering forest of burning, black, running forms
tears like molten eyeballs tracing their steamy way
down cheeks of golden lava*

The bomb never stopped going off
world-death awareness fused to the human unconscious
a new dimension to existence, taking evolution
into our own hands —

after all, we are as gods:
"first thing we're gonna do is make some changes —"

The bomb never stopped going off
it was only a matter of time
there wasn't any reason not to try it out —
It fried a quarter million or so, poisoning multitudes with mind-cancer angst
and the new fear fed the power habits of the politician-junkies,
fat fools in uniform, sweated in their seats, with pudgy fingers
poised over the ultimate jerk-off high —
slavering with anticipation —

The bomb never stopped going off
white light white heat white noise
cosmic cosmetic surgery
a pinpoint of light as seen from the moon —
put it in perspective: *a great, glowing globe blots out the whole sky
a burning bush that sucks your breath away —*



The bomb never stopped going off
in less than a second the temperature rose
to more than a million degrees
hair-trigger release of the forces that bind
matter and mind:

like the world-snake that poisoned Thor
spewing his venom on death-haunted victors
in spasms of Ragnarok fever
the leprous immortals exult that the keys
of creation are finally theirs to employ —

The Bomb never stopped going off
the chrysalis opened like pandora's box:
the birth of the beast in the bowels of the city, while
all but unnoticed
a change in the weather

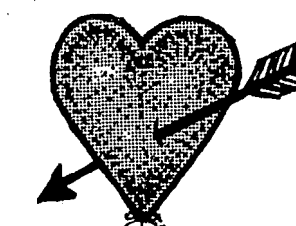
a subtle attunement
fish in a barrel, LSD avatar
futility wearing a tidal wave mask
a regular fashion plate
all but ignored
another chance
another bite

never stopped going off
irresistible forward surge to the
point where time stopped

Ron Reed



MYLAR, MY LOVE



The petroleum-based mini-zeppelin will hang over
The cubicle where you work:
The Mylar balloon in silver, red and blue, so glossy
It will hang over your workspace
Trembling slightly when you move
Or close a book
Tethered to its string, announcing to all the office
That you are Mylar, my love.

He will walk by your workspace watching the helium struggle upward
He will be in polyester, He will be The Suit
For days He will admire it, straining at its leash
He too will enjoy it (He gave it to you surreptitiously)
Till the gas begins to seep through the tight molecules of Mylar
and it begins to pucker and sag, not caring
(But you will leave it up all this time)
And just before you have a Hindenburg disaster,
A withered, sunken dirigible
You will pop it with your letter opener, and throw away
Mylar, my love.

H. Brett Dillingham

Umberto's Meadow

His family feasts on the flesh cut from beneath
The black and white fur of one of Umberto's fat goats
His son cut its throat before it was roasted
So much blood fell from the kicking goat that swiveled its eyes
It bleated and coughed red and stared at Umberto's son
Who dropped the bloody knife in the dust

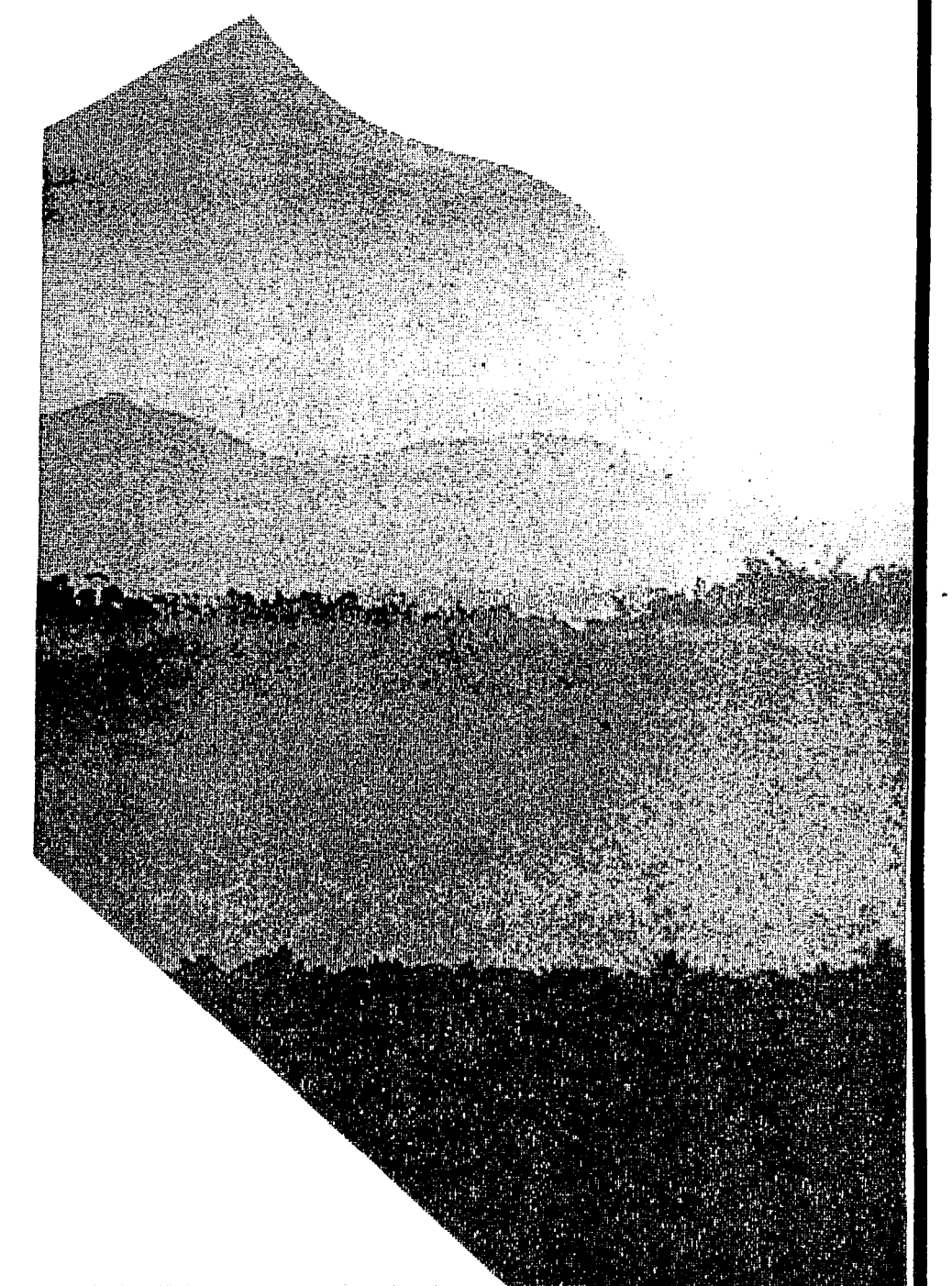
The smell spreads and then hangs in the courtyard of dust
Gaunt dogs with ticks hanging from their ears and bellies
Chickens fight for bits of fly-covered bone
A large rooster with broken feathers
Runs and then flies
Up the trunk of a lime tree

Umberto relaxes in the shade and remembers when he was a little
Chocolate boy killing birds with rocks and stabbing frogs with
Pointed sticks, the babbling old Seminole Indian had told him of a
Meadow with plump blades of grass that squirt juices in your mouth when
Butterflies cluster around the spring
That feeds the meadow precious water
Before filtering underground again
Umberto was lucky,
No one in his village thought
That a meadow could exist behind the hedge
Of cactus leaves spiked with thorns
Far from the river, close to his house
Made of saplings covered with mud
And goat skins hung on the walls

Umberto found the place and now his goats pull the grasses out by their
Soft roots, they chew staring at the ground as their thin jaws grind
Sideways, they stab the moist soil with their sharp hooves
Letting the hot sun burn to the roots,
Letting the desert begin to burn in the meadow

Umberto smiles as he thinks about the old Seminole telling him about
The green place, thin blood and white fat fleck his mouth as he chews
Tomorrow he will go to Muzquiz and get drunk in a bar on cool brown
Bottles of beer, he'll drink and drink and the foam will run down his
Chin onto his goat-smelling shirt, his boy and a skinny dog will
Watch the goat herd graze, next year he won't gloat so much or drink
So much, his goats won't be able to get so fat
Chewing on the desert where the meadow used to be

H. Brett Dillingham



Student regent raps with students

Lynn Shaver, student representative on the Board of Regents, visited the UAJ campus last week. Shaver made herself available for questions and discussion from those concerned students. The conversation centered mainly around budget cuts and changes in student loans.

Shaver informed the group, "When June comes around tuition increases will be discussed." Shaver went on to state that it should be stressed to the legislature, if there is to be a raise in tuition and a possible lowering of instructors fees, this will have to be done very carefully. She went on to explain student enrollment could decrease if tuition is raised too high, and instructors may lose interest if salaries are cut too drastically.

"The state of Alaska needs to make a commitment to higher education," Shaver cited the example of California salvaging their services of the university system. As for her thoughts concerning student loans, Shaver stated that the state should certainly tighten up on how much lein property is available from all students in the case of default.

"The procedure needs to be tightened up. The biggest problem when students get money is, they may go to school for one year and never pay the money back."

Shaver said, students as a united front could have a lot of power and clout. She said, student participation at the April 24 and 25 meetings of the Board of Regents on the UAJ campus by students is imperative. Shaver said, she would personally like to see UAJ fair well in light of the recent budget cuts.

"The Board of Regents made the obligation to make UAJ, a four year school and eventually as big as the branches in Anchorage and Fairbanks. You will find that the board is dedicated to UAJ."

by Whalesong Staff

The Juneau Chevron Alaska Health Fair will be on April 5 from 12:00 p.m. until 7:00p.m., and on April 6 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00p.m. at the Jordan Creek Mall.

The Health Fair will include health exhibits along with personal health assessments, health screening for height and weight, anemia, vision, blood pressure, and blood chemistry tests.

USUAAJ to sponsor natural resources conference: to feature guest speakers

Special to the Whalesong
By: JOE PARNELL

The student government will be sponsoring a Natural Resource Conference on April 29th at 7:00 p.m. in the Mourant Building. This will be a panel discussion with eight of the leading decision makers of the factions that decide what happens to our natural resources in Southeast. Esther Wunnicke (Commissioner of the DNR), Mike Miller (Alaska legislative representative), Bart Koehler (Executive Director of SEACC) have all given firm commitments to participate. Jim Clark (Chairman of the Governor's Timber Task Force), Mike Barton (Southeast Alaska's Regional Forester), Bob Loesher (Vice-president for natural resources at Sealaska), Jack Lentfor (biologist, who recently completed a year long study entitled "Logging in Southeast Alaska and it's Effects on the Wildlife, Fisheries, and the Economy") and a representative of the United Fisherman of Alaska, have all given informal agreements to participate.

We need to know what students would like to ask these people. Please keep in mind this is not going to be a loggers vs. fishermen debate, but an informational discussion of how our resources are managed, as well as what planning has been done and why. Also to be addressed, the question of what is happening to Southeast's economy as it grows, becomes more diverse, and

more pressure is exerted on our natural resources to provide a source of income.

This project was initiated because we hope UAJ could take part in planning for what will be left for our children, economically and environmentally. Hopefully you are concerned and will contact Joe Parnell, Conference Committee Chairman, 789-4537.

Construction is again underway at UAJ. A construction crew is currently working on the main entrance road and, according to Bob Green, director of the physical plant, faculty, staff, and students should be prepared to be inconvenienced for about two weeks.

The crew is working to clear an additional area for parking, and is now busy putting in a silt-catch pond so that drainage will not affect Auke Lake, Green said.

At times, cars will be routed through the existing parking lot because the road itself will be torn up.

Ah, growing pains....

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Paul Warnow: help the school, help ourselves

By FRED WESTMAN
Whalesong Staff Reporter

"If we help the school, we help ourselves," proclaims presidential candidate Paul Warnow, in his campaign slogan.

Warnow has been involved with the United Students of the University of Alaska for about one and one half years. He was first involved as a student representative on the Academic Council, and is currently the vice president of USUAJ.

Twenty-six year old Warnow, is originally from New York but is now a resident of Alaska. He is attending UAJ as a business major with an emphasis in computers. He is in his second year.

"People are wronged quite often and it's really important that someone is there to help them. When things that are wrong happen, I like to try to correct them," Warnow said.

Warnow stated his concern for the student government to assist the needs of not only the present students, but also the students of the future.

"I feel that student government has not utilized all the resources accessible to it. I think student government's responsibility is to think about the present and future of this institution, and anything else, in my eyes, would be negligent. So if student government doesn't use all of its resources to assist the school...then the students will lose," he said.

One aspect of student government's role, says Warnow, is to project an image of professionalism and capability to the public in order to attract new students to the school and to elicit funding from the legislature. At times lawmakers only dole out funds grudgingly, Warnow said, and then only if the constituent cry is loud enough and the recipient institution has used impressive tactics to gain their attention.

The areas Warnow plans on exerting his efforts are:

1. Having the student government host an academic contest in Southeast Alaska high schools in the areas of English, math, and science. The prize will be a scholarship to be used at UAJ and possibly a tuition waiver.

2. Producing a scholarship/research foundation which would disperse equal funds to each of the five schools

at UAJ to assist in meeting the costs of research when other funds are unavailable and in meeting costs of bringing in special speakers. The student government would use the funds to establish this foundation and some of it to promote it. The money would be held in a certificate of deposit account and just the interest would be dispersed.

3. Promoting "big-name" concerts and providing the student body with tickets at a discount and making them available to students first, before the general public.

"By providing this service to the students and to the public, we would project a certain image, hopefully attracting new students and achieving a higher level of credibility," he said.

4. Assisting UAJ in promoting the Whales basketball team. One possibility would be for student government to put up \$1,000 along with the Student Activities Office and the Southeast Alaska Athletic Association to rent the Centennial Hall and inviting the public to meet the team. USUAJ would provide food and beverages and SEAAA could set up a table to accept donations to be used for the current team and to set up a scholarship fund to be used in the athletics program. By helping make the team more financially independent, we are also exposing UAJ to the public and, this again could possibly attract new students to the school.

"When you do anything you should consider the tangible and intangible returns. So in promoting the Whales, clearly, the student population would increase, then the credibility would be increased, then the legislature would be impressed into giving adequate funding to UAJ. So, we would all benefit by doing anything to promote UAJ. By making the Whales financially inde-



Paul Warnow

pendent, that would free monies to be spent on other student services," Warnow said.

On the current issues of concern to students, Warnow feels:

:Good about the proposed changes to the USUAJ constitution.

"That is something student government has been working on since the beginning of the semester. It will allow us to restructure the USUAJ organization to become more effective by departmentalizing our activities and responsibilities.

"A new position, exclusively for activities, has been created. The changes will allow for a better means of communication by incorporating a senate in student government which will consist of representatives from each school of study; this will totally eliminate the oftentimes unequal voice of the current system of upper and lower division representatives," he said.

:The budget cuts should be done in areas where they won't affect students.

"I've already been at work on the affect the budget cuts have had academically on students.

"I think student government should get involved with administration, then they could have input to where the cuts should come from," he said.

:It's extremely important to expand the UAJ campus.

"Next year because we'll have new students coming in from high schools and the student population is increased, makes it even more important to have student government help the administration so that there is not a reduction of student services. With the budget cuts, more students could lead to a dilution of services if the administration and student government don't work together," Warnow said.

Karen King: time for assessing the role of USUAJ

By HELEN HANNIGAN
Whalesong Staff Reporter

Karen King, 30, a junior in the masters of public administration program who describes herself as an "organizer," says she has the learned skills to apply to the job of student body president.

"I feel that the president's position is one of a coordinator," King said.

Saying she didn't have any "pet projects" and "didn't want to get on the bandwagon" for any issues, King said top level positions in student government should deal with policy, not operations.

King said she is offering the students the educational skills she has acquired in receiving her BBA with an emphasis in accounting and by being enrolled in the masters program in public administration.

"My skills lie in knowing the process of problem solving. I would like to take these skills and apply them to student government."

King said she views elections as a "job interviewing process." Students make a decision by voting for the applicant who can best serve their needs, she said.

"I'm in the pack, applying for a job," King said.

King said it is time for an assessment of student government's role. She sees her campaign as a vote for "growth and innovation," but before any changes can be made or problems can be solved, she said assessment must be made of what the state of affairs are.

"After assessment, a synopsis can be drawn of where we are, where we want to go, and how we get there," she said. At present, there doesn't seem to be any planning process in student government, said King.

"It is through the planning process that students become involved. The time has come for more input to be brought into student government."

She said budget cutting is a fact of life that has come a little late to Alaska and adds it is time to respond rationally and with cooperation.

"We should take on some responsibility ourselves as student government, to represent some of the students' creative and innovative ideas towards



Karen King

budget cuts. Some of the answers to our problems lie within the students' ideas."

With the current environment of budget cutting and declining revenues, students want some accountability of where their activities fees are going, she said. King said she was interested in encouraging more academic affairs, such as special speakers. She said student government should act as a support system for student activities which are "having trouble," such as the UAJ Ski Team which has experienced some budget problems this past year. King said USUAJ should be more active in promoting fund raising ideas for student activities experiencing budget reductions.

King said she is somewhat worried about her platform because it is "a little more difficult to grasp than the hard, strong statements of the other candidates. It takes a certain ear to listen to the soft sell of management."

"I am a capitalist. I want to use the innovative, creative, courageous spirit of capitalism to find ways to promote positive, healthy social change," she said.

King sees the position of president as an academic challenge, an opportunity for growth, and a chance to apply years of study to a practical experience.

"I would like to make one final contribution to the university before I leave, to offer my skills at the time I have them to offer."

Student loan program hurting

By Lynne Webster
Whalesong Staff Reporter

The Alaska Student Loan Program funds are depleted for fiscal year 85, ending June 30, for loans to attend summer school or to start vocational programs before June 30.

Kerry Romesburg, executive director, Commission on Postsecondary Education, said loan applications for programs starting before June 30 won't be considered if not postmarked before March 29.

There are currently 500 applications pending that may not get funded, said Romesburg.

"This may be just the beginning of a new era in student loans. We

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have never had to turn away a single student, but we may well have to this year," he said.

According to Romesburg, requests for money to attend Alaska colleges or vocational schools have priority over programs in the Lower 48.

Michael Smith: enhancement of communications is key

By: NADINE SIMONELLI
Whalesong Staff Reporter

Michael Jensen Smith has decided to run for student government president at UAJ for several reasons. As a full time student pursuing an Education degree, he is concerned about the welfare of this University. He would like his next three years at this school to be intellectually rewarding.

Smith states, "this time of budget and academic cuts is a crucial time for the growth and development of UAJ." Smith wants to represent the students in a clear, logical, reasonable, and firm voice. Smith hopes UAJ continues to grow and to improve but said he would like communication between the university's departments and the students to improve and would like to see an upgrading of the present degree programs.

Smith said, "developing a core of full-time students is unfeasible at this time due to the present scheduling." He suggests that classes be arranged sequentially so full-time students will not be forced to take night classes. Another concern held by Smith is that students will have no input as to where budget cuts will be made. Smith would like to know how much is being spent and for what purposes. Then cuts should be proposed with input from students.

Smith is a member of the Bookstore Committee which proposed to operate the bookstore as a teaching/learning situation. This would be a co-operative effort between the student government and the UAJ School of Business and Public Administration. Students would actually handle the retail sales, marketing, inventory and management of the bookstore.

"We expect to turn a tidy profit by cutting labor costs in half and implementing an aggressive marketing campaign (and maintaining an inventory of pertinent supplies)," said Smith. He claims this project will be an exciting, "hands on lab" which should help to attract business students to UAJ. Acceptance of this proposal depends on the dean of the School of Business and Public Administration, Dr. Beeton (vice chancellor for academic affairs), Harry Keim (vice chancellor for administrative services), and three other persons on campus.

Smith has voiced his concern at the



Michael Smith

poor flow of communication between the schools, administration, student government and the student body. He strongly supports using the Whalesong as a vehicle for information. Expanding on his belief that student government is accountable to the entire student body, he suggested the student government president and the legislative affairs coordinator each write a column for every issue of the Whalesong. This would also help keep everyone informed of committee and advisory council activities.

Recently, Smith proposed an amendment to the present Constitution which would change the position of secretary/treasurer into two distinct positions.

"Apparently it is too much for one person under the present structure," said Smith, "and there would be one more working mind on the executive council."

He went on to say that other reasons for his candidacy include a desire to straighten out the financial record keeping, and to learn how to operate the Macintosh Multiplan on the student government computer before the fall, 1985, elections.

"I have been requesting current updates of student government financial information, and waited over four weeks

for an answer, Smith said. "The only time I was given an answer is when I made my request on a student government agenda item." He went on to say that it is important for USUAJ to know how much has been spent, how much is to be spent and how much is left. This information should be more readily available upon request as stated in the present Constitution, he noted.

Regarding the proposed revised Constitution, Smith had some reservations. "According to the draft I have read, students will no longer be allowed to vote at student government meetings, no recall procedure, and no provisions for amending the Constitution. Only juniors, seniors, and graduate students would be allowed on the Executive Council. This is saying that a 20-year-old junior is more qualified to be an executive in student government than a 30-50-year-old freshman whose life experiences more than qualify that person for the office. This is a form of upper division elitism" concluded Smith.

"I am serious about my education and the future of this school," he said. I see myself as a watchdog for the students' interests. The UAJ exists to serve the students, it is our need and desire for an education that has created the need for the university. The university needs to remember this."

Joe Parnell a need to form a gameplan

By Ingo Fleming
Whalesong Staff Reporter

The following is an excerpt from an interview with Joe Parnell and covers specific issues.

Legislative Coordinator:

"In the position as Legislative Affairs Coordinator, LAC, I will keep students currently informed of issues affecting the university system state-wide and of the more important house and senate bills affecting UAJ student body in particular.

"If there is one point in my campaign that comes out, I hope it is that the LAC job is not to be a lobbyist. If the legislature sees this student body sending someone up on the hill to lobby they will see that as money to be cut

somewhere else. It is an information and coordination job only. Each student is his or her own best lobbyist, I cannot emphasize this point enough."

Whalesong-School Paper:

"I intend to use the Whalesong as a tool to inform students and to create a dialogue with students about issues generated from the legislature. I think that the Whalesong is an important medium to use to the benefit of both the

administration and the students. We should have more involvement on the newspaper, from all faculty and students."

4% Budget Cuts:

"Right now, it's the fourth quarter and we're behind 15 points. The sad thing is, the game started at halftime, and we were not able to form a game plan until just now. But we do have a couple options; the teleconference, set for tonight, is one option to voice our concerns. The postcards, t-shirts and if possible a demonstration next week. We definitely need to work on FY 87's budget to get visible changes, and that budget has already begun to be formulated by UAJ staffers. The LAC will definitely need to have a better game plan before halftime."

The Other Campuses:

"Organizing at a statewide level will be difficult but extremely beneficial to our cause in the long run. 28,000 students, all their friends and relatives make a huge voter block and speaking in one voice, we can have a major impact on legislation. This summer, I will be visiting UAF and UAA to begin networking. Being LAC will give me more credibility, but I feel it's important enough to do regardless. In brief contact with people at the other campuses, we have discussed a student



Joe Parnell

leadership conference set for next fall. There is no reason we can't pull it off. It will be the beginning of consistent communication between all the Students of UA. If the budget cuts can be credited for doing a good thing, they have shown that students need to and will organize."

Past Experience:

Student Activities Coordinator
Lower Division Representative
Organized Nat. Resource Conference
Organized Brown Bag Lecture Series
Eaglecrest Party

Dennis Harris a need to work together

By HELEN HANNIGAN
Whalesong Staff Reporter

The following excerpt is from interview with Dennis Harris, candidate for Legislative Affairs Coordinator.

Students Involvement:

"As oil revenues and state funding decline, students will have to become more politically active in order to ensure that university funding continues at levels that do not threaten the programs we need. More than ever, students need to be informed about legislative actions that affect their academic and career plans, and need to take part in the legislative process.

Legislative Coordinator:

"The job of legislative coordinator is not lobbying, it is to find out what is happening that impacts students, keeping the students informed, and making sure the legislature hears the students' opinion."

"I believe I have the experience and skills necessary to ensure that all students get the information they need about legislative actions to present

their case in legislative hearings, correspondence, and personal contacts with legislators.

"In dealing with the legislature it isn't as important who you know, as being able to find out who you need to know."

Use of Media:

"The Whalesong can be a vehicle for keeping students informed about legislative activities, as well as regular reports at student council meetings. I also believe that we can use the computer facilities available to all students for distributing information about government affairs, and for gathering student opinion on issues.

Obligation to other campuses:

"A responsibility of living in the capital city, is keeping other people informed of legislative activity.

"The UAJ Legislative Coordinator needs to help keep students and student government at other university campuses, informed about legislative affairs, and work with them to define statewide positions on issues that affect all students in the university system."



Dennis Harris

"We can't afford to be provincial. We must work together as a unified state-wide system."

Job Experience:

"I understand the legislative process. I spent 3 years as a freelance photographer following legislative activities, a session as a House page, and 3 sessions as a broadcast journalist. Because of my experience in public broadcasting, I know how the state budget process works. I understand the policies and personalities involved."

Competition expected to be tough for fellowship

By Ingo Fleming
Whalesong Staff Reporter

Students envious of their counterparts studying in the Carribean may soon get Governor Sheffield's blessing plus 10,000 dollars to study for up to two years in the South Pacific, free.

Senate Bill 59 sponsored by the Governor's Office establishes the Pacific Rim Fellowship. Under this bill students currently enrolled in several programs offered through the University of Alaska can spend part of their academic career, up to two years, studying abroad.

Ernest Polley, special projects manager for the Dept. of Education, identified those areas of the North and South Pacific as including "People's Republic of China, Japan, Taiwan, South Korea and Malaysia. Plus other areas

where the student can show that Alaska has a current and compelling interest."

If the student gains approval to study abroad their round trip airfare, room and board plus 900\$ stipend is provided. But according to Senate Bill 59 the maximum allowable is 10,000 dollars for two years of study abroad.

The current administration is "strongly in favor of this bill", said Molly MacCammon, the governors press secretary. "We introduced it last year but it never made far enough along to pass out of the Senate and become ready for the students of the University."

A fiscal note put out by the Senate expects to appropriate approximately 110,000\$ this next school year. This translates into possibly 10 fellowships available for outstanding qualified students. For the school year starting in 1986 there is about

15 fellowships available.

The programs for which a student may be awarded a fellowship include public administration, business administration, education or the language of the host country.

In making the fellowships available for all Alaskan students the competition is expected to be tough. But if the committee to select qualified candidates does not receive any applications from Alaskan students then the Governor's Office will encourage students from other countries to study in Alaska with the fellowship funds.

For more information on the Pacific Rim fellowships pay attention to the progress of Senate Bill 59 and start to plan for two years in the South Pacific. And write your Representative expressing your support of Bill 59.

F.Y.I.

There will be a meeting on Wed., April 17th at 3:00 p.m. in the Maurant cafeteria for those student housing applicants who want to choose apartment mates from among other continuing students who have applied.

This might be of interest to couples as well as individual students since all apartments will house at least 4 people.

If you have friends you want to room with, you should each let the student housing office know, since apartment assignments will be made in late April.

If you are unable to be at the meeting, but want your name released to those who attend, call 789-4528.

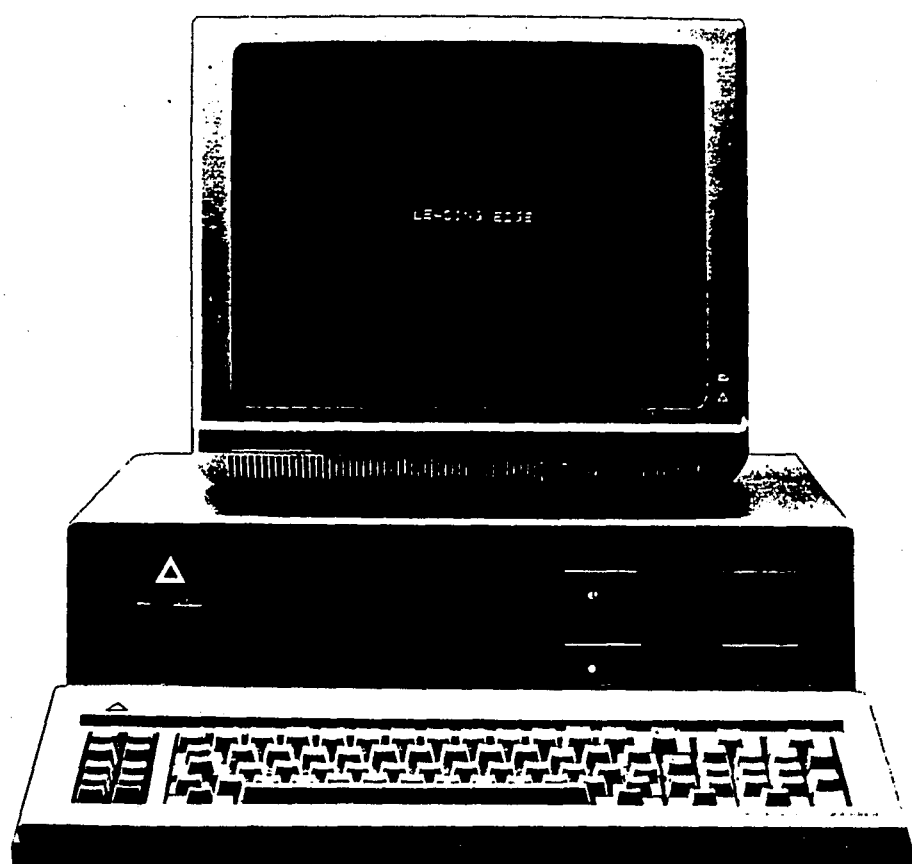
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9 a.m.-5:30 p.m. (Fri. 'til 5)
at the Admissions and Records office, Auke Lake campus.

Students should contact their advisor prior to pre-registration, as advisor's signature is required.

For info call 789-4458.

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14th annual commencement: three honorary doctoral degrees to be given

The 14th commencement of the University of Alaska-Juneau will be held on April 28. Nearly 100 students will receive degrees, a figure that represents a more than 25 percent increase over the number who graduated one year ago.

Ceremonies will be held at the Juneau Centennial Hall beginning at 3 p.m. Students, faculty, staff, family and friends of UAJ are invited.

In addition to the UAJ grads, three men who have dedicated their lives to helping others will be honored during commencement. Honorary Doctorate of Humanities degrees will be conferred upon Joseph Kahklen and Dr. Joseph Rude, and a Doctorate of Public Administration will be awarded to William Overstreet.

Dr. Rude has practiced medicine in Southeast Alaska continuously since 1929, and, even at the age of 89, remains active in his profession. He is also an avid hunter and still finds the courage to hit the slopes of Eaglecrest each winter.

Many people know Bill Overstreet from his seven years as mayor of Juneau or his years as an assemblyman.

He also played a major role in the effort to keep the capital here. But, prior to entering the political arena, Overstreet served more than 17 years in education, proving to be a friend and advocate of and for the University of Alaska-Juneau. He is returning from his post as a Far East international trade representative, stationed in Tokyo, Japan.

Overstreet will also serve as a featured speaker during commencement ceremonies.

Joseph Kahklen has proven to be another strong proponent of higher education. He has spent his entire working career as a teacher, principal, and superintendent in school districts in Southeast Alaska and in Nevada.

He started in 1937 in Haines as a teacher and eventually became the superintendent of schools in the Chatham School District, headquartered in Angoon.

In 1967, 38 years after high school graduation, Kahklen fulfilled a dream of many years by earning his master's degree from Northern Arizona University.

Excellence award received by voc/ed

By Whalesong Staff

The University of Alaska-Juneau received an Excellence in Education Award for the outstanding vocational education program offered.

The award recognizes UAJ as the only institution that offers a Master of Science degree in Vocational Education in Alaska. UAJ's Vocational Education Program offers classes mainly in the Anchorage and the Fairbanks metro areas to meet the needs of as many Alaskans as possible. In many cases that means holding classes during the evening hours.

Dr. Vern Oremus, and Dr. Armand Sequin, who administer the program, have been instrumental in making the university's four-year program work.

The annual commendation was made by the Alaska Committee recently in Anchorage at the Alaska Vocational Conference.

Other agencies having received the award include: Northern Institute for Research and Training, the State Department of Education, and various state legislators and individuals associated with vocational education in Alaska.

Preregistration for the fall, 1985, semester will take place on the UAJ campus April 8-19, in the Office of Admissions and Records, Whitehead Building. Office hours for preregistration are from 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Preregistration is for those who are enrolled in a university degree or certificate program.

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F.Y.I.

Extended and Graduate Studies announces that the Cynthia Orr concert and the Arts Management seminar have been rescheduled. Orr, a master story teller, will perform Tuesday, April 9 at 7:30 p.m. at the Northern Light Church.

The Arts Management seminar will take place April 12 and 13 with the following Sunday an optional day for attendees. Call x526 for details.

The wellness program at UAJ continues for those interested in taking advantage of this unique opportunity.

If you are interested in preserving your body (and mental prowess), check in with Jane Albee, nurse practitioner, and have an individual analysis. The program continues with an aerobics class for those at any level of fitness. Call Nurse Jane, x560, for information.